

LOCAL BREVITIES.

An abundance of rain.
Light bills running high.
Six inches of rain since December 1st.

Arcadia is still without light on the streets.

F. A. Twomey has opened a store in Bismarck.

How many New Year resolutions still hold good?

The boys had some fine coasting last Friday and Saturday.

Mr. Delano gives it as his opinion that there will be no ice-making this winter.

A couple of sleighs out the past week. But the sleighing only lasted about one day.

Again we say 'tis a pity that the hills adjacent to the valley had to be "skinned" of their timber.

It is proposed, we are told, to move the Ozark Inn, on Arcadia Heights, down near the tabernacle.

Certainly have had villainous weather the past week. But then, think, what a magnificent fall we had.

The news that two more drills will be put to work at Annapolis is cheering. It indicates that the prospect is promising.

Mr. J. A. Kerwin of Arcadia is still in St. John's Hospital, St. Louis. We are glad to hear that his condition is improving.

The snow and the rain and the mud of the past two weeks have just about put the country automobile out of commission.

R. L. McLaughrey, the jeweler, will move back from Arcadia to Iron County and occupy a store room in the Willard Hotel building.

Mr. Buford and family moved over from Bonne Terre Thursday and are occupying the T. B. Whitworth house. —Bismarck Gazette.

John Probst of Iron County has been visiting H. B. Sheeta and family. He returned to home Sunday. —Fredericktown Democrat-News.

Chas. P. Dameron of Newport, Arkansas, was in Iron County last Friday. Mr. Dameron says they are all well pleased in their Arkansas home.

Fresh prepared bran for table use also fresh Graham and whole wheat flour just received.

LOPEZ STORE CO.

D. Edgar Fletcher was in Little Rock and Hot Springs the first of this week. He says that state-wide prohibition has not made Hot Springs dry.

Some awful weather the past week. Lots of snow and sleet and rain. Sunday Monday and Tuesday were rainy and dark and foggy. Some sunshine would indeed be welcome.

Judge Harry R. Holland has been quite sick the past week with grip, but we are glad to report, is improving. His sister, Mrs. Goode, of East St. Louis, is at his bedside.

Coming next week, a seven-riple photo-play entitled, "The Life of Our Saviour." This film is hand-colored, and is really an exceptional picture. See next week's REGISTER for particulars.

Last Friday was the coldest night of the season, thus far. The thermometer went down to 5. But Saturday morning dawned bright and clear, the sun shone warm and the mercury climbed rapidly.

Our friend, Thos. P. Fitz of Des Arc, who travels for W. P. Gettys of St. Louis, is reported sick at his home. We trust Uncle Tom will soon be able to resume his labors on the road. —Potosi Independent.

Mr. W. W. Nall, Clerk of the U. S. District Court, St. Louis, recently purchased an automobile—a Cadillac, 8—and says that he expects to make some trips to the valley therein when the summer comes again.

Chas. L. Stevenson of Libourne, Mo., was in Iron County last Saturday. He tells us that he and W. J. Fitz are doing nicely in the mercantile business and that Libourne is a progressive town. He was looking unusually well.

The Brotherhood of American Yeomen will give a grand ball at Workmen's Hall, Graniteville, Friday night, February 11, 1916. Admission, fifty cents a couple. Good order, good music and a good time. Come!

W. D. Fletcher last Sunday drove 242 hogs from Lesterville to Hogan and shipped them to St. Louis. In the long drive, which required about all day, he was fortunate enough to get through with the loss of but one hog.

Our young friend, Mr. Kelton E. White, of St. Louis, was in the valley Saturday and Sunday, and gave us a ball. There isn't a more genial and likable young man anywhere than Mr. White and we are always more than glad to see him.

Adolph Dettmer, an old and highly esteemed resident, died at his home in Pilot Knob Sunday morning at 11:30, after an illness of about two weeks. The deceased was 76 years of age and leaves a wife and a number of grown children to mourn his departure. The funeral occurred Tuesday afternoon and interment was made in the Pilot Knob cemetery. The deceased was an honorable man and citizen. Peace to his ashes. To the bereaved we extend our sympathy.

Jas. A. Harris, section foreman, died at his home between here and Pilot Knob this (Wednesday) morning at 2:30 o'clock, after an illness of two weeks of pneumonia. A wife and four small children mourn his departure. To them the community extends sympathy.

Burk & Hobbs arrived Wednesday night and began the meeting at the Methodist Church and had a very good attendance for the first night. We are organizing a choir of a hundred voices and are laying plans to build a tabernacle in a few days. —Festus News.

Do you want a good time? Then come to the Apron and Necktie Social Thursday night, at the home of J. R. Baldwin. The ladies will please bring apron and necktie to match and lunch for two. No admission fee is to be taken as the neckties are to be sold. Everybody come.

At the annual meet of the stockholders of the Bellevue Valley Bank last Wednesday the old board was re-elected and the same officers chosen for the ensuing year. We are glad to hear that all things considered, the business of the institution has been very satisfactory the past year.

Collector B. P. Burnham is certainly demonstrating the fact that the people of Iron County made no mistake when they elected him to that office. He is proving one of the very best Collectors the county ever had. He collects the taxes without fear, favor or affection. Absolutely right and proper.

Recorder Hawkins issued the following marriage licenses the past week:

Edward Moss and Josie Farris of Annapolis.

John G. McMurtrey of Rolf, Nebraska, and Lucy Deicy of Brule.

Chas. Weigel and Irene Clancey of St. Louis.

Ralph Collins, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Collins, of Iron County, is now employed as time-keeper for the Mine La Motte Mining Company at Mine La Motte, Mo. Ralph is a worthy boy and we are sure will "make good." He is grateful to the many Iron County friends who recommended him so highly.

County Treasurer Thos. D. Jones will be prepared to cash all outstanding county warrants, Friday, January 14th. There is more than enough money on hand to pay off all the warrants outstanding, we are told. A most satisfactory showing. Mr. Burnham's collections for December are said to be the biggest and best ever.

Rosentreter's fine black team ran away again last Friday morning. Frank had driven them to Bellevue. While Frank and the drummer were in one of the stores the horses broke loose from where they were tied and ran four miles on the road to Brule before they were stopped. The buggy was badly damaged, but the horses were not hurt.

We are very much pleased, indeed, to learn of the continued improvement in the condition of Mrs. Sadie Fletcher, of Arcadia, who is now with her daughter, Mrs. R. E. Wilkinson, in Alton, Ill. If the improvement continues Mrs. Fletcher hopes soon to be able to pay a visit to her daughter, Mrs. Barton Way Sawyer, in Seattle, Washington, which she has contemplated for some time past.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Wm. M. Seitz, 13th and Hebert streets, St. Louis, Mo., Wednesday, December 29th, 1915, a bouncing 8 lb. baby girl Bill now struts around, proud as a peacock and is handing out Havana Specials to his many friends. William is conducting a prosperous grocery business at the above named address and invites his Iron County friends to pay him a visit when in St. Louis.

From the Leadwood correspondence in last week's Farmington News: "Jesse O'Neal was seriously injured Sunday evening when the Ford truck which he was driving was wrecked. Mr. O'Neal and others, whose names we did not learn, were driving toward Desloge, and on making a curve in the road the car was overturned, throwing them all out and bruising Mr. O'Neal about the head and back. He was taken to his home in a critical condition, but his physician thinks he will recover."

Farmington Times: "Prosecuting Attorney Davis has filed information against Lon Florence, the young druggist of Desloge, for selling intoxicants in violation of the local option law. It appears that he has been for some time suspected of selling liquor and some parties decided to smoke him out. They furnished the money and got Wm. Buckston to go to the drug store to buy the liquor. This was on December 24th, and he brought two quarts of whiskey and paid for it. Then S. P. Motherhead and Spurgeon Ditch gave the information to Prosecuting Attorney as prosecuting witnesses. The case against Florence will be brought up at the February term of the Circuit Court."

Sheriff Blue and Deputy U. S. Marshal Geo. C. Orchard drove to the west end of the county Sunday. Mr. Blue went on official business and Mr. Orchard went to look after some land belonging to Marshal Lynch, and on which the timber thieves have said to have been busy. Monday morning the sheriff and Mr. Orchard caught Stanley and Jesse Prader cutting timber on the land, which is near Doyle, in the west end of the county, and arrested them. Five other men who were cutting timber on another part of the land, succeeded in getting away. Mr. Blue fired a couple of shots as they fled and thinks, possibly, one of them

was struck. The Praders were brought to Iron County and placed in jail Tuesday afternoon. They will be vigorously prosecuted and warrants will be issued for other offenders. It is hoped the result will be wholesome. The timber thief must be given to understand that he can no longer ply his avocation in this country with impunity.

PERSONAL.

Mrs. J. A. Reayburn went to Desloge Friday.

J. L. Baldwin went to St. Louis Monday.

Mr. E. C. Percy left Monday for Virginia.

Mr. Smith, the baker, went to Bismarck Sunday.

J. C. Wood of Middlebrook was a caller Saturday.

Mrs. H. R. Polak left Wednesday for Poplar Bluff.

Mr. William Traernicht went to Bismarck Friday.

Maurice Huff was home from Desloge the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Curtis returned to Sikeston Sunday.

Mr. Wint and George Gillam went to Bismarck Sunday.

Rev. Dr. M. Riggs will be home this week from a trip to New Orleans.

Mrs. Sadie Fletcher and Miss Florence will leave St. Louis for Seattle, Washington, next Monday.

United States Marshal John E. Lynch of St. Louis and Deputy George C. Orchard of Poplar Bluff, were Iron County visitors last Friday.

Miss Emma Phayer, after spending two weeks at her home in Arcadia, returned to Chillicothe Business College, where she is attending school.

Mrs. Clara Bell Russell, nee Orrick, accompanied by her little daughter, Aurelia Liecher, left Saturday for St. Louis, where they will make their future home.

For Sale or Rent—The S. B. Allison cottage on North College Street, Arcadia, Mo. Apply to Iron County Bank.

School Notes.

Students absent on account of illness were: Ollie Miner, Dewey Haven, Malcolm Ringo, Claude Forshee, William Curry, Virginia Collins, Louise Gross, Robert Edgar and Byron Kindell.

Miss Vaughan, teacher of fifth and sixth grades, and Mrs. Nellie Dewey, teacher of the first and second grades, have been kept out of school by the Lagrippe. The substitutes were Catherine Anderson and Camille Marr.

Mr. Thudum, Superintendent of the Schools of Fredericktown, will lecture at the Academy of Music, Friday night, January 28. His subject will be, "What the High School may do for the Community."

The final term examinations will be held Friday, January 14. All students having an average class grade of 85 and deportment above 90 will be exempt from the examinations.

The American History class discusses Current Events every Monday morning.

Superintendent Shoop is to act as judge in the Poplar Bluff-Piedmont Debate to be held at Poplar Bluff on January 21. The question for debate is, "Resolved, That the Philippine Islands should have their Independence."

Miss Alma Kendal is preparing a dramatization of, "The Knights of the Silver Shield," which will be presented by the third grade in about two weeks. She is using it as a basis of all her work for a week.

\$100 Reward, \$100

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address: F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by all Druggists. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation. —Advertisement.

Valley Proviident Association.

Remember, anybody in the valley, or in passing, for that matter, is eligible to Associate Membership in the Proviident Association, who contribute one dollar to the Proviident Fund. But any one who is able to contribute several dollars, and wills to do so, is expected to bring into play his personal liberty to exercise personal liberality. Make your contribution Ten Dollars, and then help us with your suggestions to find who needs help and ought to be helped.

But the executive board of the P.A. will not knowingly foster idleness in those who can help themselves and will not.

Neither is it the purpose of the P.A. that the Proviident Fund is to be used in buying booze, tobacco, or to pay the photographer for the sort of relief he is supposed to offer as a satisfaction of human want.

Nor, yet, is the Proviident Association and its Proviident Fund a joke. The executive board is profoundly in earnest and takes itself seriously in its delegated authority to relieve real want.

Our officers are: S. P. Ringo, president; Miss Ulice Reagan, vice president; A. I. Willard, secretary and treasurer. Publicity Committee—the several members.

Notice to the Public.

All kinds of concrete, granite, cobblestone or house moving done at low prices; also a specialty (wood or concrete). Work guaranteed. Address: R. G. Farmer, Iron County, Mo.

Methodist Mention.

Sunday School attendance, 89; offering, \$2.50. Good interest at both schools. Quite a number were kept out on account of sickness.

Good attendance at morning preaching, at which time the Misses Leona and Flora Baldwin, and Miss Alona Rust, all of whom were converted in the meeting held by Bro. Powers last winter, and received on probation, took the vows of the church and were received into full connection. Preaching at night was poorly attended. Next Sunday morning, the service will be at Fort Hill, and at night at Union.

League topic for next Sunday, "How to work for others." Isa. 41:17. Visitors always welcome.

The Woman's Missionary Society will meet at Mrs. Jessie Boardman's at 2:30 P. M., Thursday.

The League will give an apron and necktie social at J. R. Baldwin's Thursday night.

Rock Port Mutual Cos. on the Boom.

During the past year the Missouri Mutual Ins. Cos. of Rock Port, which insures buildings and contents, automobiles and farm property against loss or damage by fire, lightning, tornadoes, cyclones and windstorms issued 5,502 policies, making a total of \$5,072,157 insurances, which is "going some." This has certainly been a prosperous year for these companies.

Agents wanted in every town in Missouri. Address H. F. Stapel, Secretary, Rock Port, Mo.

Baptist Church.

All the annual services next Sunday. Pastor Riggs will preach morning and evening. Sunday School at 9:45 and Young People's meeting at half past six.

Annapolis News.

Snow and rain since I wrote last and looks to-day like more rain is coming.

There will be two diamond drills, one churn drill, a pump and a car of coal unloaded here to-day or to-morrow. It is proposed to prospect extensively.

Dr. W. J. Moffit of Redford died quite suddenly in his store last Saturday. He had just built a fire and was lying down talking to some friends, when he suddenly stopped breathing. He was as good man as lived in Reynolds county and will be greatly missed. A wife and babe and a number of children by a former wife are left to mourn him.

John Reed of Des Arc was here the past week trying to buy hickory timber.

Squire Kitchell and family are all sick with grip and cold.

George Johnson, near Sinking Creek, phoned for a doctor this morning, saying there were four sick in his family.

Ed Sutton is building a coal shed for the lead prospectors.

Lucian Kelley and wife are able to be out after a siege of grip.

Married—Annapolis, Mo., January 5, 1916, Edward Moss and Mrs. Josie Ferris, S. Kitchell officiating.

Several teams here from Redford this morning after goods and chickens coops. They surely ship a lot of poultry from that neck of the woods.

If the roads get much worse tie and lumber hauling will be slow.

Gus Funk has compromised with the railroad company on his claim for stock killed.

David Culton is about to inherit a fortune in Texas, we understand.

BULLETIN.

THE Texas Wonder cures kidney and bladder troubles, dissolves gravel, cures diabetes, weak and lame backs, rheumatism and all irregularities of the kidneys and bladder in both men and women. If not sold by your druggist, will be sent by mail on receipt of \$1. One small bottle is two months' treatment and seldom fails to perfect a cure. Send for testimonials from this and other States. Dr. E. W. Hall, 228 Olive Street, St. Louis, Mo. Sold by druggists.—Adv.

Bellevue News.

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Robert Wood returned Saturday to William-Jewell, having spent two weeks at home.

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Roy Robinson spent Saturday night and Sunday with friends in Belgrade.

E. M. Logan has been confined to his bed for several days; was quite sick for a few days. We hear he is some better to-day.

Rev. I. N. Sherrow filled his regular appointment at Cedar Grove last Sunday. He tells us he was called to the home of Joe Dickey on Sunday afternoon to perform the marriage ceremony of Miss Lucy to J. C. McMurtrey of near Thomas Chapel.

Friends of Mr. A. Hale were glad to see his letter in last week's REGISTER stating he had reached his destination safely, and hope the change will be a benefit to him. Write again, Mr. Hale, and tell us more about your visit in the "Lone Star State."

While out hunting last Friday Will Hillman who lives 3 miles west of town, killed a wildcat on the hill back of J. A. Wood's farm. This makes two wild cats killed on the hill this winter. The first was shot by Jas. Breitenstein about a month ago.

ALPHA.

From Iron Mountain.

In my last letter from this point I promised to write again, but as business has been so quiet I have, from time to time, put off writing, thinking perhaps there would come a change for the better; but that fond hope, like many others, has been "nipped in the bud."

Everything passed off very quietly here during Christmas and the holidays. It is said that, not at any time, was any person seen to be under the influence of the "oil of joy."

The McKinney Bros. unloaded a car load of cattle here last week, and drove them to their farm in Bellevue Valley. They purchased the cattle in St. Louis. It is reported that young cattle are cheaper on the St. Louis market than they are here.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Dewey, Sr., of near Iron County, Mo., are spending the winter with their daughter, Mrs. Lowe, who lives at the Iron Mountain Lake.

Mr. Tedder, who has employment at Herculaneum, returned to his home here Thursday.

Mrs. J. S. Eaton made a trip Sunday so visit her friend, Mrs. Eldson. She returned home Sunday night on train No. 9.

Miss Mary Spence, who recently removed to this place from near Bellevue, entered school here Monday. She is an industrious, hard-working pupil, and will excel anywhere.

Thos. Anderson, who has been day watchman here for the past month, is now working with the section crew.

It is almost certain now that the long contemplated land deal is "all off."

Mr. Smollinger is now working a few men on the mountain getting out iron ore. While the ore is not plentiful, Mr. Fosher, the boss, informed the writer that it is a very superior quality of ore, and owing to present high prices of iron and steel, it pays a good profit to work the mines, which, for several years past, have been practically abandoned.

Word was received here Monday, January 3d, of the death of Noy Dennis, son of Robt. Dennis, who lives not far from Caledonia, Washington county. The young man, aged nineteen, was out hunting, when attempting to make his way down a steep bank, he fell down, his gun striking a rock, and was discharged, the load of shot entering his stomach and chest. He lived only a few hours after the accident. A few of his relatives here attended the funeral which was conducted Tuesday, January 4.

Jack Middleton and Thornton Petty, both of Bellevue, were out here during the holidays.

It is reported that pneumonia fever is very prevalent around Bismarck and Caledonia. The doctors are kept busy almost night and day attending to the many cases of pneumonia and the "grippe."

Well, it is a little late, but notwithstanding the writer wishes the REGISTER and its readers a happy and prosperous New Year.

Wanted.

Will buy wheat delivered anywhere on Iron Mountain Railroad. Write or call. W. D. FLETCHER, Iron County, Mo.

Redmondville Items.

An epidemic of cold and Lagrippe has been raging over the community for quite a while, but all are on the road to recovery.

Plenty of snow and sleet at present. Roads are in a very bad condition. Ray Stricklin has gotten out of bed after a spell of pneumonia fever.

Misses Myra and Mary Miller spent Sunday with their sister, Mrs. Lewis Gallagher.

Mr. Redmond Black made a business trip to East End last Thursday.

Mr. Bess Williams moved to town recently.

The wedding bells have rung at last.

Mr. Willie Black and Miss Nora Stricklin were united in holy bonds of matrimony at the home of the bride, January 4, 1916. They received quite a number of nice presents. Rev. J. R. Adams officiating.

News is scarce.

OMEGA.

Wanted—Two girls at Baptist Home, Iron County. One for housework, one for cooking. Phone 164.

West End Items.

Some real winter weather for the past few days. Looking like snow at this writing.

The roads are in very bad condition these days.

Lots of sickness in this community. Robert White of Oates is very low with pneumonia fever.

Our public school was out December 24th; a real nice program was rendered the last evening, and Christmas eve, too.

Claud Volner, who attended school here, started to Iron County Saturday to attend school there. He is an excellent student and a good boy.

Arthur Francis, our teacher, has a position with Wm. Volner & Sons as scaler at their state plant. They are doing a good business with their state mill.

J. A. Francis has moved his mill from Gunnett's Creek to Oates.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Francis called on Mr. J. A. Francis and wife Sunday.

Charley Francis and Bert Smith went to Oates Sunday.

Dosha Smith, Lola Sutterfield, Ola and Eunice Francis, called on Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Volner Sunday.

Leona Trolinger spent Saturday and Sunday with Miss Maud Volner.

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